

Pre-Identification of Spring 2016 State Assessments using MSDS Data

The Division of Accountability Services (DAS) will begin pre-identifying students for Spring 2016 assessments in December using data from Michigan Student Data System (MSDS).

Pre-Identification for WIDA ACCESS

DAS will pre-identify, in the Secure Site, all English language learner (ELL) students (grades K-12) for Spring 2016 WIDA ACCESS testing using the Fall 2015 MSDS General Collection and Student Record Maintenance (SRM) files submitted through **December 3**.

To prepare for pre-identification, check your Fall 2015 MSDS General Collection to ensure all ELL students are correctly identified in a LEP program. Corrections can be made to the general collection through **November 18**. This will ensure that all ELL students that were included on the Fall 2015 MSDS General Collection will be included in the pre-identification process.

New ELL students that enroll, or are newly identified as ELL students **after** the general collection and through **December 3**, if submitted within the SRM collection in MSDS, will also be pre-identified for the WIDA assessment by DAS on the Secure Site.

This is a one-time pull for *pre-identification purposes* for students taking the WIDA ACCESS. The Pre-ID Student Report will be available to schools on the Secure Site at www.michigan.gov/baa-secure the week of **December 7**. It will be the responsibility of the district and/or school to update the Pre-ID Student report by unassigning students that exit and adding students that enroll or are newly identified as ELL directly on the Secure Site.

Only ELL students can take the WIDA ACCESS. This means it is important that students are correctly identified in a LEP program in MSDS. If the student is not correctly identified in a LEP program in MSDS, the student's WIDA ACCESS test score will be invalidated.

Pre-Identification for SAT, PSAT, WorkKeys, and M-STEP

DAS will pre-identify, in the Secure Site, students using the Fall 2015 MSDS General Collection and Student Record Maintenance (SRM) files submitted through **January 7** for the following state assessments in the Secure Site.

- All students in grade 3-8 will be pre-identified for M-STEP
- All students in grades 9 and 10 will be pre-identified for PSAT
- All students in grade 11 and required students in grade 12 will be pre-identified for SAT, Workkeys and M-STEP

New students that enroll **after** the general collection and **prior to January 7**, if submitted within the SRM collection in MSDS, will also be pre-identified by DAS on the Secure Site.

This is a one-time pull for *pre-identification purposes* for students taking the SAT, PSAT, WorkKeys and M-STEP. The Pre-ID Student Report will be available to schools on the Secure Site at www.michigan.gov/baa-secure the week of **January 11**. It will be the responsibility of the district and/or school to update the Pre-ID Student report by unassigning students that exit, adding new students, and

identifying students in grades 3-8 and 11 that will take the MI-Access Functional Independence, Participation or Supported Independence directly on the Secure Site.

It is important that all special education students are identified as special education in MSDS, if they are not correctly identified in MSDS, and take the alternate MI-Access test, the student's scores will be invalidated.

Please note that students that are unassigned from testing on the Secure Site are NOT removed from accountability calculations, only from testing. To ensure a student is removed from accountability calculations, the student must be exited in MSDS within one of the MSDS General Collections or the SRM collection.

More information and instructions about pre-identification of Spring 2016 assessments and the Secure Site will be sent to designated assessment coordinators.

For questions or concerns about the pre-identification of students for the Spring 2016 assessments or the Secure Site, please contact DAS at 877-560-8378 or email baa@michigan.gov. For questions or concerns about the MSDS, SRMs, or the Fall 2015 MSDS General Collection, please contact CEPI at 517-335-0505 and select option 3, or email cepi@michigan.gov.